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In re Application of:

Youichi HIDAKA, et al.

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For: FRAME TRANSFER METHOD AND NODE IN ETHERNET

Honorable Commissioner of Patents Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 Box AF

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.116

Sir:

In response to the Office Action in the above-identified application mailed on

October 8, 2008, please amend the application as per the following:

Amendments to the claims begin on page 2. Dependent claims 8, 17 are incorporated into the independent claims 1 and 11, respectively, so there are <u>no new issues</u> raised by claim amendments.

Remarks begin on page 7.

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CERTIFICATION OF TRANSMISSION

I certify that I transmitted via facsimile to (571) 273-8300 this Amendment under 37 CFR §1.116 to Examiner J. Walsh on January 9, 2009.

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